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In New York, prices were unchanged when compared to the previous day. The market tone was steady to fully steady entering the holiday weekend. Retail and distributive demand was light to good. Supplies were fully sufficient to balanced for current needs. Breaking stock offerings were tight to adequate for the quiet to moderate demand. Spent hen supplies were at least adequate to fully adequate for a mostly fair demand. Processing schedules were noted as normal for the upcoming week.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices were higher for large in IA-MN-WI. All other reported prices were unchanged but were trending higher for next week. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand remained moderate to good as we move into the holiday weekend. Loose egg demand was light to mostly moderate. Supplies were in balance for the larger sizes, fully adequate for mediums and in balance to at times close for small.

	Range	Mostly	IA-MN-WI Prices paid to producers.	Range	Mostly
EXTRA LARGE	49-59	50-56	LARGE	39-48	43
LARGE	48-58	49-52	MEDIUM	23-27	25
MEDIUM	32-42	34-37	SMALL	5-7	

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV,Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending higher on all sizes. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady entering the holiday weekend. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to close. Breaking stock offerings were barely adequate to adequate for a moderate demand. Spent hen supplies were at least adequate to fully adequate for a mostly fair demand. Processing schedules were noted as normal for the upcoming week.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	62-77	63-66
LARGE	56-70	61-65
MEDIUM	35-48	40-42

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL Prices were unchanged but were trending higher for next week. Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Retail demand remained moderate to usually good as we head into the holiday weekend. Food service movement was light to usually moderate. Supplies were in balance for the larger sizes and fully adequate for mediums. Central states breaking stock prices were higher. Trading and demand were quiet for the tight to adequate offerings. Floor stocks closely balanced to adequate. Schedules full time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	65.5-75	68-71
LARGE	57.5-66	59-62
MEDIUM	39.5-48	41-44

SOUTH CENTRAL AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK, and TX

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week's deliveries were trending sharply higher. The market tone was steady to fully steady entering the holiday weekend. Demand was moderate to good. Supplies were adequate to closely balanced. Breaking stock offerings were barely adequate to sufficient for the moderate demand. Light type hens were at least adequate to fully sufficient for the mostly fair demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	51.25-68	62-65
LARGE	43.25-66	60-63
MEDIUM	23.25-46	39-43

SOUTHEAST AREA: AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC, Eastern TN, and Southern VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NEW YORK EGGS Prices were unchanged when compared to the previous day. The market tone was steady to fully steady entering the holiday weekend. Retail demand was moderate to good, best where limited promotional activities were in progress or planned. Supplies were usually sufficient for trade needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	78-82
LARGE	76-80
MEDIUM	51-55

MIDWEST REGIONAL	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	56-65	58-62
LARGE	55-64	56-58
MEDIUM	39-48	42-44

WESTERN REGIONAL Prices unchanged. The market tone was very firm with asking prices for next week 2 cents higher on jumbo, 5 cents higher on extra large, 8 cents higher on large, and 4 cents higher on medium throughout the region. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings light due to high costs and lack of availability of trucking.

CALIFORNIA Prices unchanged. The market tone was very firm with asking prices for next week 2 cents higher on jumbo, 5 cents higher on extra large, 8 cents higher on large, and 4 cents higher on medium and small. Retailer demand moderate. Offerings light due to trucking problems relating to fuel and hurricane issues. Small benchmark price 55.

CALIFORNIA Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	114
EXTRA LARGE	106
LARGE	92
MEDIUM	75

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	83-103
EXTRA LARGE	81-94
LARGE	79-82
MEDIUM	62-65

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	259-309
EXTRA LARGE	219-289
LARGE	179-229
MEDIUM	179-199

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending September 02, 2005 will increase by 4 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 26, 2005 were 211,833 cases which was 13 percent below the prior week and 1 percent above estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	173,339	38,494	211,833

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
% change from the prior week.....	-14	-4	-13

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK All prices were higher. Offerings were usually adequate with demand quiet as breakers assess current needs. Many breakers were attempting to work from contractual agreements and company owned production as many predict larger inventories after the upcoming holiday. Floor stocks closely balanced to adequate. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady to fully steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48 lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
BREAKING STOCK	32-36	34-36
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	21-25	21-23
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were mixed but about unchanged from the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings from production areas. Schedules were normal. Sales were fair. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*

FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 29-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.25-16.25 CENTS/LB.	11.75-14	12.79
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was mostly fair for the at least adequate offerings. Processing schedules were noted as normal to instances heavy. Sales of finished product were adequate for current needs. The undertone was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*

FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 29-AUG-05

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	9.75-16 CENTS/LB.	12-14	13.24
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT- AUGUST 29, 2005

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
		CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.2	12.1	4.2	9.2	10.1 46.8
	Change	3.4	2.0	-0.1	0.0	-0.2 12%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	26.2	38.1	9.0	19.1	30.7 123.1
	Change	3.0	3.4	0.1	-0.4	-1.9 4%
Large	Curr Wk	43.8	118.6	50.5	81.2	82.8 376.9
	Change	4.8	-21.3	9.2	8.6	2.2 1%
Medium	Curr Wk	15.7	53.3	22.1	29.2	29.9 150.2
	Change	-1.7	-4.5	2.8	0.4	-6.1 -6%
Small	Curr Wk	7.8	9.8	5.6	8.6	3.8 35.6
	Change	-3.0	0.6	-0.9	-3.6	-2.8 -21%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.9	46.8	8.8	16.9	5.5 82.9
	Change	0.2	1.8	-0.6	-1.4	-0.6 -1%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	13.6	30.0	9.2	20.9	29.1 102.8
	Change	-4.0	-9.0	-0.4	-5.4	1.7 -14%
Total	Curr Wk	123.2	308.7	109.4	185.1	191.9 918.3
Percent	Change	2%	-8%	10%	-1%	-4% -3%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	918.3	-3%	175
Shell Egg Breaking Stock	236.7	-11%	35
Total Shell Egg	1155.0	-4%	210

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday a.m. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

Northeast- CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV
Pacific- AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

CANADIAN EGGS QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES- GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2005

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.86	1.83	1.74	1.16

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2005 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS.

GRADEA	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	1.42	1.42	1.32	.77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 26, 2005

CURRENT LOADS							11.25	FUTURE LOADS							11.50	TOTAL LOADS							22.75
		SE		NE		MW		LOADS			SC		NW		SW		LOADS						
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST		CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST									
GNR W 1	46.00	55.00	—	48.00	—	—	7.00	GNR W 1	—	59.00	—	—	—	—	—	3.00							
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.00	GNR BR 1	—	71.50	—	—	—	—	—	1.00							
GL W XL	—	—	60.00	62.20	50.95	—	6.75	GL W XL	—	—	—	—	—	61.33	.75								
GL W LG	—	—	53.50	55.00	51.00	—	6.00	GL W LG	—	—	—	67.00	—	57.00	2.50								
GL W SM	—	—	14.00	16.00	—	—	1.00	NRBS - 48	—	31.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
NRBS - 48	27.00	—	—	—	—	—	1.00																

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 08/22/05-08/26/05

CURRENT LOADS 68.75								FUTURE LOADS 57.75								TOTAL LOADS 126.50							
		SE		NE		MW				SC		NW		SW									
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS								
GNR W 1	42.67	48.33	37.42	40.72	—	34.50	38.00	GNR W 1	—	46.25	—	—	—	51.25	26.00								
GNR BR 1	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.00	GNR BR 1	—	69.50	—	—	—	—	2.00								
GL W J	—	—	70.00	71.00	—	51.00	3.00	GL W XL	58.75	53.26	—	58.25	—	58.22	13.50								
GL W XL	—	51.00	52.67	56.69	47.77	44.00	34.50	GL W LG	46.00	46.38	—	54.06	—	53.67	16.00								
GL W LG	—	51.52	47.52	47.61	43.89	—	30.75	GL W MD	—	35.08	—	38.00	31.50	35.70	9.00								
GL W MD	35.00	—	25.00	27.00	24.13	30.25	15.50	NRBS - 48	—	31.00	—	—	—	—	1.00								
GL W SM	15.70	18.35	13.33	15.33	—	—	8.00																
NRBS - 48	27.00	—	—	—	30.20	31.08	20.00																
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	—	23.00	3.00																
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	24.30	25.60	5.00																

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	08/22/05	08/15/05	08/23/04
PACIFIC COAST	231	231	144
LOS ANGELES	226	226	95

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS The market is higher on all sizes. Supplies are tight. Retail demand is good.

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MOSTLY

EXTRA LARGE	82.99
LARGE	76.99
MEDIUM	56.99
SMALL	35.00

CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	CENTS/CARTON	MOSTLY
Extra Large doz.	222 – 260	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 – 151	130 - 134
Large doz.	217 – 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 – 142	125 - 128

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OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 8/26/2005

Report Period: 7/10/2005 - 7/16/2005

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern CA	# Cases Shipped To Central CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	430	430
Arkansas	0	0	3,240	3,240
Colorado	0	0	1,709	1,709
Illinois	0	0	60	60
Iowa	4,988	2,332	25,010	32,330
Michigan	0	0	2,520	2,520
Minnesota	3,889	1,560	9,336	14,785
Missouri	0	0	4,470	4,470
Nevada	0	0	720	720
North Carolina	0	0	1,671	1,671
Ohio	0	0	1,375	1,375
Oregon	3,728	0	0	3,728
South Dakota	0	0	1,325	1,325
Texas	0	0	3,344	3,344
Utah	0	0	8,383	8,383
Washington	0	360	0	360
Wisconsin	780	0	1,490	2,270
TOTAL	13,385	4,252	65,083	82,720
SHIPPED TO				
MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO				
NONMILITARY	13,385	4,252	65,083	82,720

OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 8/26/2005

Report Period: 7/17/2005 - 7/23/2005

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern CA	# Cases Shipped To Central CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	1,716	1,716
Arkansas	0	0	3,990	3,990
Colorado	0	0	5,388	5,388
Idaho	0	0	910	910
Iowa	3,867	1,560	45,009	50,436
Michigan	0	0	6,601	6,601
Minnesota	4,030	1,335	14,287	19,652
Missouri	0	0	1,610	1,610
Nevada	0	0	810	810
Ohio	0	0	2,520	2,520
Oregon	3,647	0	0	3,647
Pennsylvania	0	0	780	780
South Dakota	1,230	450	780	2,460
Texas	0	0	1,700	1,700
Utah	1,623	0	10,986	12,609
Wisconsin	0	0	972	972
TOTAL	14,397	3,345	98,059	115,801
SHIPPED TO				
MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO				
NONMILITARY	14,397	3,345	98,059	115,801

OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 8/26/2005

Report Period: 7/24/2005 - 7/30/2005

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern CA	# Cases Shipped To Central CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	710	710
Arkansas	0	0	3,240	3,240
Colorado	0	0	4,362	4,362
Illinois	0	210	360	570
Indiana	0	0	840	840
Iowa	3,826	1,136	53,456	58,418
Michigan	0	0	4,960	4,960
Minnesota	5,910	540	11,141	17,591
Missouri	800	780	4,060	5,640
North Carolina	0	0	960	960
Ohio	0	0	5,481	5,481
Oregon	2,069	60	0	2,129
South Dakota	830	0	1,845	2,675
Texas	0	1,530	3,390	4,920
Utah	1,344	0	9,598	10,942
Washington	18	612	0	630
Wisconsin	0	0	3,782	3,782
TOTAL	14,797	4,868	108,185	127,850
SHIPPED TO MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO				
NONMILITARY	14,797	4,868	108,185	127,850

OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Period: 7/31/2005 - 8/06/2005

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern CA	# Cases Shipped To Central CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
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OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 8/26/2005

Report Period: 8/07/2005 - 8/13/2005

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern CA	# Cases Shipped To Central CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	5,776	5,776
Arkansas	0	0	2,450	2,450
Colorado	0	0	2,405	2,405
Illinois	0	0	2,025	2,025
Iowa	4,160	1,460	22,789	28,409
Michigan	0	0	810	810
Minnesota	3,375	795	5,190	9,360
Missouri	0	0	4,049	4,049
Nevada	0	0	2,280	2,280
Ohio	0	0	5,016	5,016
Oregon	1,001	0	0	1,001
Pennsylvania	0	0	780	780
South Dakota	745	0	0	745
Texas	0	0	2,390	2,390
Utah	0	0	5,444	5,444
Wisconsin	0	0	1,300	1,300
TOTAL	9,281	2,255	62,704	74,240
SHIPPED TO				
MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO				
NONMILITARY	9,281	2,255	62,704	74,240

OUT OF STATE EGGS - STATE COMPILATION

Report Date: 8/26/2005

Report Period: 8/14/2005 - 8/20/2005

State	# Cases Shipped To Northern CA	# Cases Shipped To Central CA	# Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Arizona	0	0	905	905
Arkansas	0	0	1,610	1,610
Colorado	0	0	3,942	3,942
Idaho	0	0	702	702
Illinois	0	0	360	360
Iowa	4,650	4,610	25,463	34,723
Michigan	0	0	4,986	4,986
Minnesota	1,875	2,965	7,979	12,819
Missouri	0	0	780	780
Ohio	0	0	3,020	3,020
Oregon	1,311	0	0	1,311
South Dakota	0	0	615	615
Utah	0	720	5,500	6,220
TOTAL	7,836	8,295	55,862	71,993
SHIPPED TO				
MILITARY	0	0	0	0
SHIPPED TO				
NONMILITARY	7,836	8,295	55,862	71,993